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In Reply Refer To: 3H/12

Mr. John D. Svoboda  
Vice President, General Manager  
Allentown Steel Fabricating Co.  
260 Race Street  
Catasauqua, PA 18032

Re: Novak Sanitary Landfill Site  
Lehigh County, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Svoboda:

This letter is written as a response to your letter of October 14, 1988 to Mr. Michael Towle of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding Allentown Steel Fabricating Company's use of the Novak Landfill. Your letter indicated that your company is a steel fabricating shop. Your response indicated that your company sent empty paint cans to the Novak Landfill, but did not indicate amounts of waste sent to the landfill or descriptions of processes generating the wastes sent to the landfill.

As you know, the EPA is seeking information concerning the release, or the threat of a release, of hazardous substances into the environment from the Novak Sanitary Landfill Site. Pursuant to the authority of Section 3007(a) of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA"), 42 U.S.C. Section 6927(a), and Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. Section 9604(e), as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 ("SARA"), public law 99-499, 100 Stat. 1613, your company is again requested to furnish all information and documents in its possession, custody or control, or in the possession, custody or control of any of its officers, employees or agents which concern, refer or relate to hazardous substances as defined by Section 101(14) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. Section 9601(14) which were transported to, or stored, or disposed of at the Novak Sanitary Landfill Site in South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

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EPA currently has information indicating that the owner of the Novak Sanitary Landfill also operated a waste hauling business under the name of Valley Disposal, Inc. or Valley Recycling. Records maintained at the landfill office indicate that wastes hauled by these companies were disposed at the Novak Sanitary Landfill. Your company's name is listed as a customer of Valley Disposal or Valley Recycling and the waste hauled from your company was dumped at the Novak Landfill according to driver records.

EPA has determined that your response to its previous information request letter was inadequate or incomplete. EPA now requests that you further respond to this information request within fifteen (15) days of your receipt of this letter and supply all information and documentation concerning:

1. a detailed description or schematic diagram of all manufacturing, recycling, maintenance or other processes operating at your company;
2. the time period of operation of your company;
3. a description of those processes generating wastes sent to the Novak Landfill;
4. the volume of waste and waste containing potentially hazardous substances sent to the Novak Landfill; and
5. the methods used to ensure that no waste remained in the cans sent to Novak.

If documentation supporting any statements supplied by the respondent to this letter can not be supplied to EPA, then EPA requests that the source of information; including employee interview, employee recollection, employee name, employee position, etc.; be identified in your response to this letter.

You are entitled to assert a claim of business confidentiality covering any part of the submitted information, in the manner described in 40 C.F.R. Section 2.203(b). Information subject to a claim of business confidentiality will be made available to the public only in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B. Unless a business confidentiality claim is asserted at the time the requested information is submitted, EPA may make this information available to the public without further notice to you.

Please send the required information to:

Michael Towle, Remedial Enforcement Officer  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
PA, CERCLA Remedial Enforcement Section (3H/12)  
841 Chestnut Street, 6th Floor  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107

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If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Michael Towle at (215) 597-3166.

Sincerely,

Gregg Crystall, Chief  
PA CERCLA Remedial Enforcement Section

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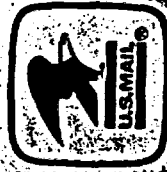
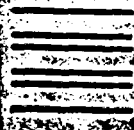
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